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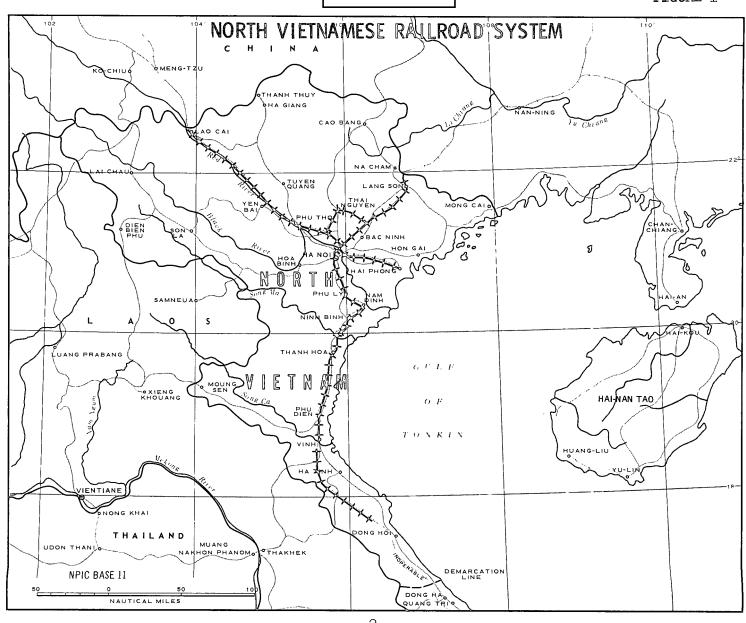
This report summarizes significant items of photo intelligence relating to the North Vietnamese railroad system which has been developed from available photography (received by the CIA Imagery Analysis Division) during the period indicated on the cover. This report is intended to provide a comprehensive view of the railroad system and does not necessarily reflect the most recent status changes as reported by pilots' reports or field photo intelligence cables.

The railroad system has been broken down into 5 major lines: the Hanoi/Lao Cai Line, the Hanoi/Dong Dang Line, the Hanoi/Haiphong Line, the Hanoi/Dong Hoi Line and the Thai Nguyen Line (Figure I). Annotated maps and photos are used to show the status of each line.

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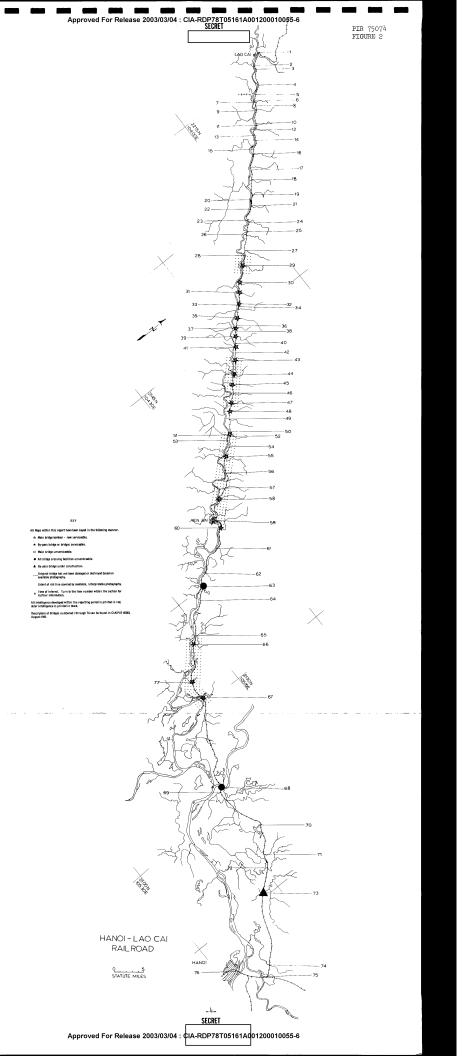
SUMMARY

Those portions of the Hanoi/Lao Cai Rail Line covered by interpretable photography were open to through traffic. Four bridge interdictions were noted on the Hanoi/Dong Hoi Rail Line.

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ITEM OF INTEREST NO. 1: Hanoi/Lao Cai Rail Line

NAME

: Yen Bay Railroad Yard

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COORDINATES

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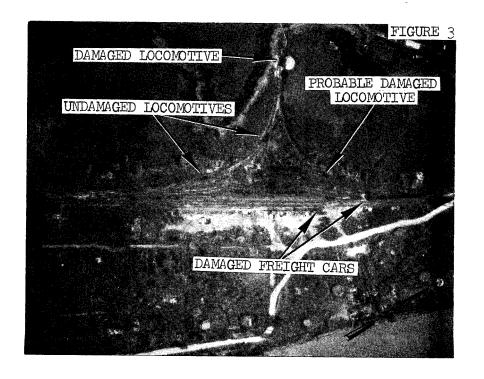
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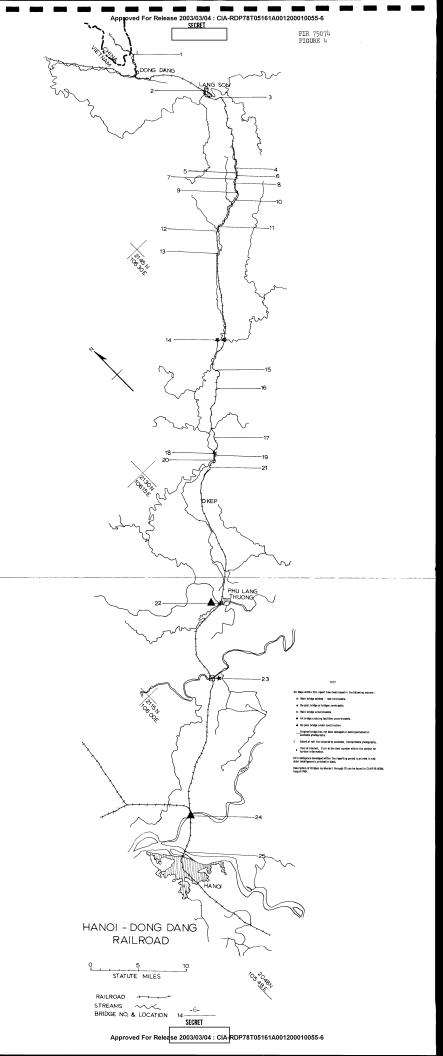
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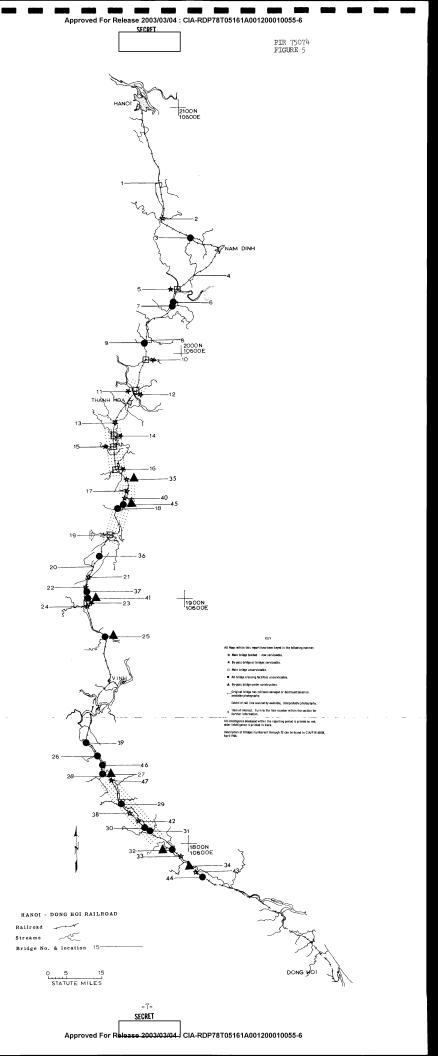
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The Yen Bay Railroad Yard has been damaged by bombing. Much of the yard has been cratered, but at least one of the 6 through tracks remains serviceable. One piece of unidentified rolling stock has been destroyed and three others including 2 probable gondolas and 1 probable box car have been damaged. Twenty three freight cars including 10 probable box cars and 13 probable gondola cars have not been damaged.

Four locomotives are located on the turning wye, 2 of which have probably been damaged. The northern end of the turning wye has been heavily cratered.







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ITEM OF INTEREST NO. 1: Hanoi/Dong Hoi Rail Line

NAME

: Qui Vinh RR. Bridge No. 2

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COORDINATES

: 19 15N - 105 41E, WG 720302

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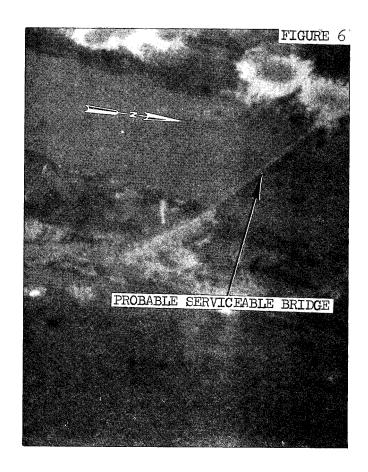
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The multi-span trestle-type Qui Vinh Railroad Bridge No. 2 has been repaired and is probably serviceable. This is a by-pass for the unserviceable main bridge

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ITEM OF INTEREST NO. 1 CONT.: Hanoi/Dong Hoi Rail Line

NAME

: Qui Vinh RR Br. No. 4

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COORDINATES

: 19 15N - 105 41E, WG 720302

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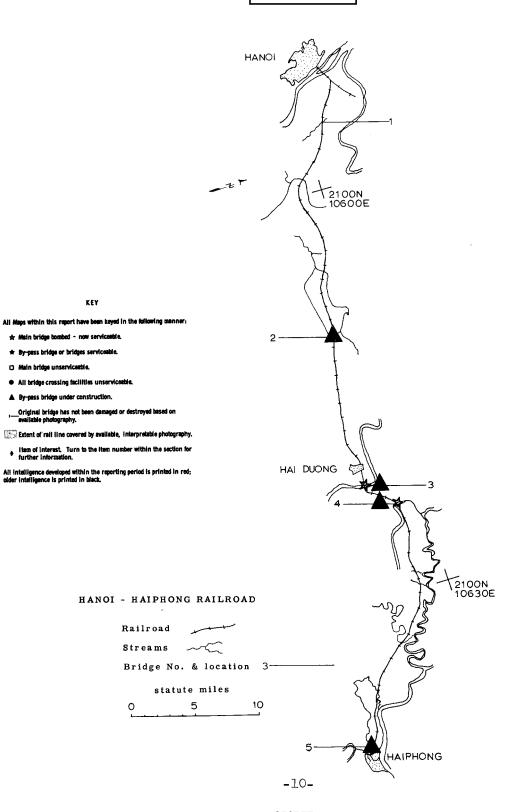
The 6 span, deck-beam Qui Vinh Railroad Bridge No. 4 has been completed and is serviceable. There are presently 2 serviceable by-pass bridges at this river crossing. The main bridge and 1 other by-pass are unserviceable.



Approved For Release 2003/03/04 : CIA-RDP78T05161A001200010055-6 FIGURE 8

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KEY

Railroad Streams

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 All bridge crossing facilities unserviceable. ▲ By-pass bridge under construction.

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All Maps within this report have been keyed in the following manner:

- A Main bridge bombed now serviccable.
- & By-pass bridge or bridges serviceable.
- Main bridge unservicustio.
- All bridge crossing facilities unserviceable.
- ▲ By-pass bridge under construction.
- 1—Original bridge has not been damaged or destroyed based on explicitle photography.
- Extent of rail line covered by ovallable, interpretable photography.
- Item of interest. Turn to the item number within the section for further information.

All intelligence developed within the reporting period is printed in red; older intelligence is printed in black.

